IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE

In re Application of: Art Unit: 2431

Girault et al. Examiner: Sarah Su

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For: CRYPTOGRAPHIC METHOD AND DEVICES FOR

FACILITATING CALCULATIONS DURING TRANSACTIONS

COMMENTS ON STATEMENT OF REASONS FOR ALLOWANCE

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COMMENTS

The applicants generally agree with the Examiner's determination that the prior art does not teach the invention claimed in the allowed application. However, the applicants do not necessarily agree with the Examiner's characterization of the teachings of the prior art or the Examiner's interpretation of the claims of the application. The specification and the prosecution history in their entirety provide the basis for allowability of the claims.

Respectfully submitted,

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